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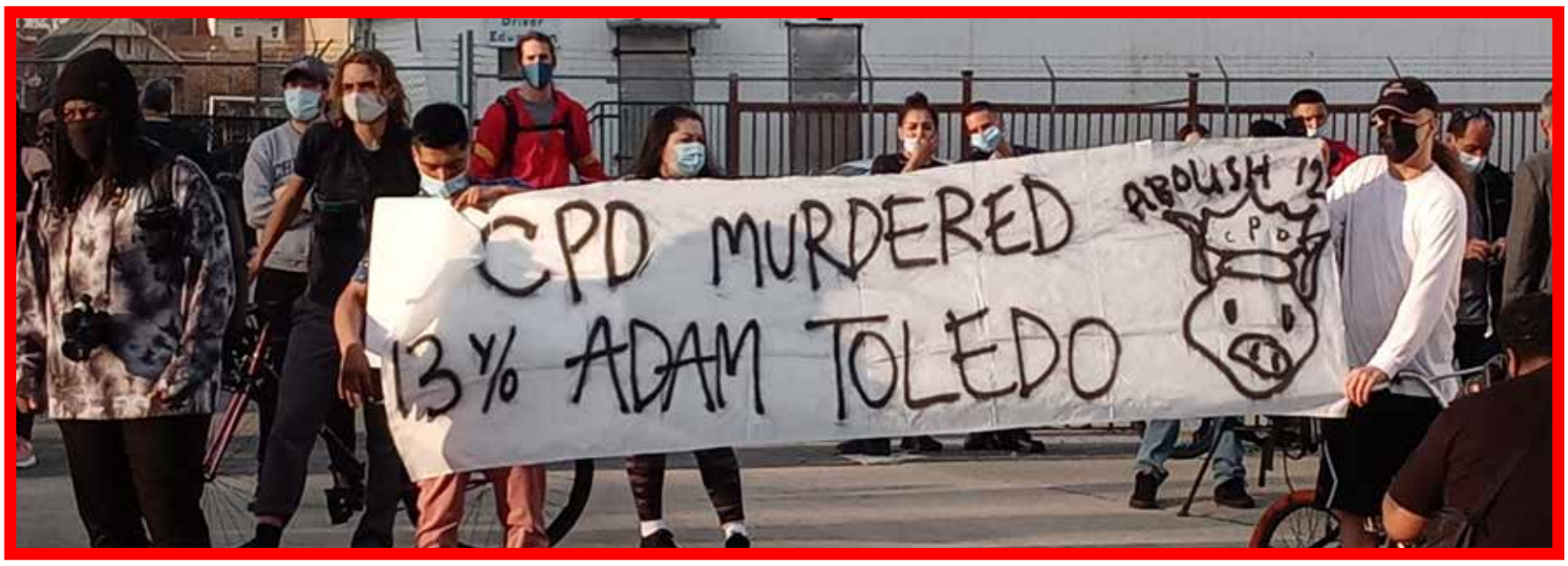

CHICAGO, April 13—Antiracist mass struggle is heating up across the city in the wake of the Chicago Police Department's (CPD) racist murder of 13-year-old Adam Toledo. Progressive Labor Party (PLP) called for communist revolution as the solution to racist state terror that is essential to capitalism (see box).

Adam was a student and resident of Little Village, a west side neighborhood that is home to mainly Latin workers. On March 29, allegedly responding to gunfire, the racist attack dogs of CPD chased Adam and another young person into an alley near a school where they cornered Adam and shot him in the chest.

It was when the morgue called to identify Adam's body two days later that Elizabeth Toledo was made aware of her son's death. In a sick throwback to the dashboard camera cover-up of Black teen LaQuan McDonald's racist murder in 2014, CPD and the city bosses, fronted by racist, liberal wolf in sheep's clothing Mayor Lori Lightfoot, have held off on the release of the killer kkkop's body-cam footage. They know they are sitting on a ticking time bomb of working class rage.

PLP calls on our working class sisters and brothers to keep rebelling against this racist capitalist system that killed Adam just as it kills countless other workers and youth every day. We invite workers everywhere to take the next step: joining our mass international Party in order to crush capitalism and its endless misery, inequality, and war.

Take the streets for Adam

A few days after Adam's murder, on April 5, close to 200 protesters, mostly young people, gathered for a community vigil in Little Village in his honor. Many workers and friends of Adam took to the mic, voicing their disgust for the racist murder of a child by the KKK-in-blue.

A PL'er took the opportunity to share communist politics, exposing the role of the police under capitalism for being assassins and terrorists in a rousing bullhorn speech. We ran out of CHALLENGE newspapers and 200 bilingual leaflets, which explained that only communist revolution can rid society of killer racist cops, and build a world where children and all workers flourish, achieving our full potential.

Many agreed that no one is safe under this bloody capitalist dictatorship. As history has shown, we cannot depend on the courts for justice. As long as capitalism exists, the cops will always be used as tools for social control and repression, especially to attack Black and Latin workers.

A couple of "community groups" funded by the police tried to take over the leadership of this struggle. These non-profit groups are used to try and keep a lid on workers' anger, and to mislead workers into dead-end movements like electoral politics. It's the Party's role to expose

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Why do kkkops kill?

Legalized killings and mass imprisonment are age-old capitalist tools to control the working class. The first modern police force in what is now the United States, beginning in South Carolina in 1704, was the slave patrol. These forces hunted down and punished runaway and "defiant" enslaved workers; they were a form of organized terror to deter revolts that might threaten plantation profits.

To this day, state-sanctioned racist terror against Black workers and youth is an indispensable weapon for the capitalist class. Anti-Black racism is at the foundation of the racist treatment and division of all workers. Therefore, it is in the principled interest of all workers to unite against the capitalist state.

Under capitalism, the "state"—including all levels of government, the so-called justice system, the police, the military, the schools, and the media—is an instrument of ruling-class oppression and violence against the working class. Past communist leader Vladimir Lenin wrote in State and Revolution, "The state is an organ of class rule, an organ for the oppression of one class by another; it is the creation of 'order,' which legalizes and perpetuates this oppression by moderating the conflict between classes."

We didn't negotiate the end of slavery and we won't negotiate our way out of capitalism. From slave patrols to the kkkops, the bosses' state is the sworn enemy of the working class. Smash the capitalist state!

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OUR FIGHT

☆Progressive Labor Party (PLP) fights to destroy capitalism and the dictatorship of the capitalist class. We organize workers, soldiers and youth into a revolutionary movement for communism.

☆The dictatorship of the working class — communism—can provide a lasting solution to the disaster that is today's world for billions of people. This cannot be done through electoral politics, but requires a revolutionary movement and a mass Red Army led by PLP.

☆Worldwide capitalism, in its relentless drive for profit, inevitably leads to war, fascism, poverty, disease, starvation and environmental destruction. The capitalist class, through its state power — governments, armies, police, schools and culture — maintains a dictatorship over the world's workers. The capitalist dictatorship supports, and is supported by, the anti-working-class ideologies of racism, sexism, nationalism, individualism and religion.

☆While the bosses and their mouthpieces claim "communism is dead," capitalism is the real failure for billions worldwide. Capitalism returned to Russia and China because socialism retained many aspects of the profit system, like wages and privileges. Russia and China did not establish communism.

☆Communism means working collectively to build a worker-run society. We will abolish work for wages, money and profits. While capitalism needs unemployment, communism needs everyone to contribute and share in society's benefits and burdens.

☆Communism means abolishing racism and the concept of "race." Capitalism uses racism to super-exploit Black, Latin, Asian and indigenous workers, and to divide the entire working class.

☆Communism means abolishing the special oppression of women— sexism—and divisive gender roles created by the class society.

☆Communism means abolishing nations and nationalism. One international working class, one world, one Party.

☆Communism means that the minds of millions of workers must become free from religion's false promises, unscientific thinking and poisonous ideology. Communism will triumph when the masses of workers can use the science of dialectical materialism to understand, analyze and change the world to meet their needs and aspirations.

☆Communism means the Party leads every aspect of society. For this to work, millions of workers — eventually everyone — must become communist organizers. Join Us!

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Editorial

Imperialist rivalry fuels Biden's Gestapo

As the Joe Biden administration jails thousands of immigrant children and plans to warehouse tens of thousands more in tent camps and army bases, the liberal bosses' hypocrisy and blatant inhumanity is on full display. Last fall, millions of voters were misled into voting for Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris. The candidates vowed to stop Donald Trump's vicious war on immigrants and shed crocodile tears for the "kids in cages"—but that was then. As hundreds of thousands of workers flee capitalist-inspired violence and poverty in Central America, Biden's Homeland Security chief, Alejandro Mayorkas, vowed to charge more of them with felonies—for the "crime" of crossing the bosses' borders (Washington Times, 4/6). Mayorkas hailed the "noble mission" of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), a notorious nest of white nationalists, card-carrying Nazis, child abusers, and sexual predators (vice.com, 1/6/20; Los Angeles Times, 10/1/20). Then he promised to fill "gaps" in Trump's pathetic border wall (New York Post, 4/6).

The next time anyone tells you that Democratic Party liberals are "lesser evils" next to gutter racists like Trump, don't believe them. Evil, yes—lesser, no! All capitalist politicians—from Biden to Bernie Sanders and Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (AOC) —are loyal, first and last, to a profit system that feeds on racism, sexism, and inter-imperialist war.

Hidden behind the "border crisis" headlines is another story with vast implications for the working class. Finance capital, the main wing of the U.S. ruling class, is trying desperately to maintain control over their imperialist "backyard," Latin America and the Caribbean. But as they jockey for position in advance of the next global conflict, the U.S. bosses' chief rivals, China and Russia, have other ideas.

Borders exist to divide up profits among different groups of capitalists. But the bosses themselves cross these artificial lines all the time to plunder resources, exploit sweatshop labor, and dodge restrictions on poisoning the environment. They also use borders as essential tools to divide the working class and build patriotism for war.

Under communism, borders will be relics of the past. The workers of the world have one and the same class interest: to smash the bosses with communist revolution, and to create a society run by and for the people who create all value: the international working class.

Liberals are still the main danger

When it came to criminalizing immigrants, Trump followed squarely in the footsteps of Democrats Bill Clinton and Deporter-in-Chief Barack Obama. As a U.S. senator during Clinton's regime and then as Obama's vice president, Biden actively supported his predecessors' racist policies. Even so, the "socialist" Ocasio-Cortez continues to defend "lesser-evil" Biden: "What is happening here is not the same as what happened during the Trump administration where they took babies out of the arms of mothers and deported their families and permanently traumatized these children" (thehill.com, 4/1). In other words, AOC is okay with the traumatization of children as long as her fellow Democrats are running the show.

In March, U.S. border kkkops apprehended more than 171,000 migrant workers and children trying to cross the border from Mexico, the highest monthly total in 20 years (Reuters, 4/2). That mind-numbing number is a product of sheer desperation. As Mexican journalist Leon Krauze wrote, "People from Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador don't migrate in search of a better life. They are looking for a shot at survival" (Washington Post, 3/24).

The Biden administration needs to push back on migration from Mexico and Central America because their concentration camps are overflowing. After four years of Trump, there's a backlog of 1.3 million pending asylum cases (Washington Post, 3/31). "Temporary shelters" include the Fairplex in Pomona, California, the site of an internment camp for Japanese workers during World War II (Daily Bulletin, August, 2016). In announcing the Fairplex opening, Hilda Solis, Secretary of Labor under Obama and now chair of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, seemed proud to be incarcerating children who'd fled mass devastation from summer hurricanes, fascist cops, murderous drug cartels, and starvation caused by 200 years of U.S. domination (Los Angeles Times, 4/9; see box).

U.S. imperialism in the Caribbean and Latin America

With the Monroe Doctrine of 1823, U.S. rulers told European rivals to stay out of "their" hemisphere.

U.S. bosses have a long and sordid history of military intervention, installation of puppet governments, and economic extortion. The seizure of Panama to build and guard the Panama Canal, the 1954 CIA-backed coup in Guatemala, the multiple invasions of Haiti and the Dominican Republic, the 1980s backing of fascist death squads in El Salvador, Guatemala, and Nicaragua--these are just a few examples of the blood on these criminals' hands.

The U.S. has been policing and destabilizing Latin America and the Caribbean for almost 200 years. Immigration from these countries is in no small part due to the devastation that has followed. Nevertheless, there is no such thing as a "good" imperialist. Bosses from Russia and China are governed by the same laws of capitalism as those in the U.S. They are all driven to exploit resources and labor and to expand their markets. Workers should never betray our class interests by allying with any imperialist.

Jim Crow Joe and Top Cop Kamala are pushing the utterly racist lie that the recent surge of migration is mainly the result of a failure by Mexico and Guatemala to secure their borders. Biden is conveniently silent about the U.S.-engineered coup in Honduras in 2009, when he and Obama were in charge—or about the horrific violence that ensued and forced workers to flee to the U.S. In Biden's latest budget draft, he is asking for an insulting $861 million—less than $20 per person--to "fix" the problems in Central America. He wants half again as much, around $1.2 billion, for high-tech border security (New York Times, 4/9).

Covid-19 vaccine imperialism

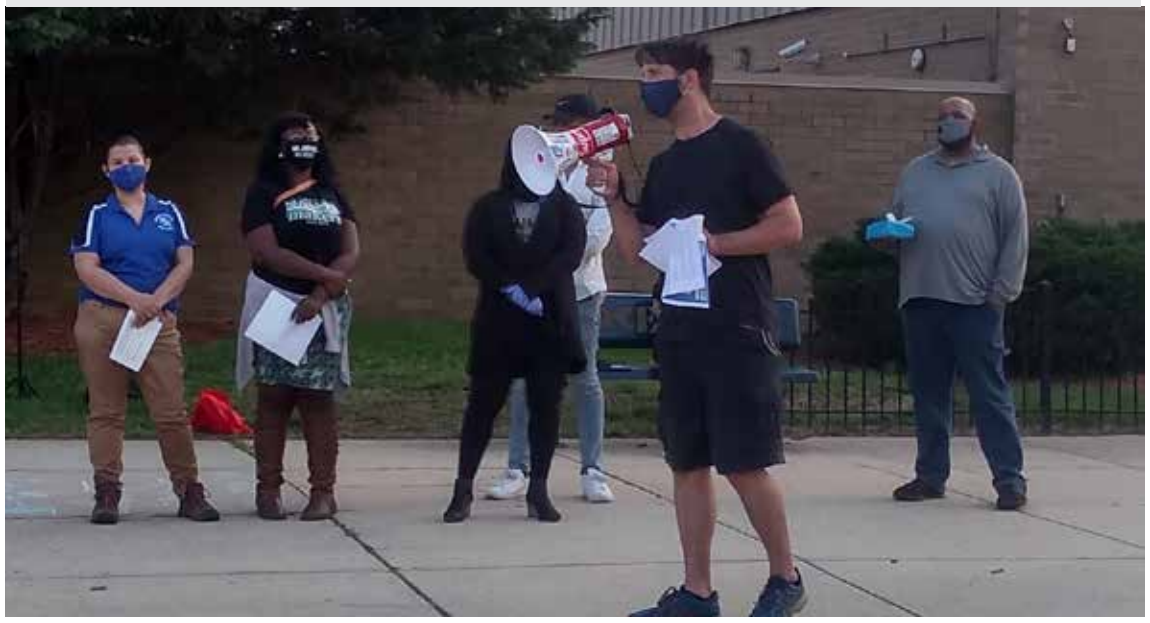
As the U.S. empire continues to falter, capitalist bosses in Latin America have welcomed a rising tide of Chinese and Russian influence. As Argentina's powerful Vice President Cristina Fernández de Kirchner mused: "Who would have guessed that…the only vaccines we'd receive are Russian and Chinese?" Victor Jeifets, a professor at the School of International Relations at St. Petersburg State University, boasted: "If you're in trouble [Russia] is here to help you…We have the ability, we have the technology. The same goes for China" (Christian Science Monitor, 4/2).

China's merchandise trade with Latin America has soared from $17 billion in 2002 to $315 billion in 2019. "Reuters reports that, if Mexico were removed from calculations, China is now Latin America's biggest trading partner" (Newsweek, 3/29). Nineteen countries in Latin America and the Caribbean will be using a new $3 billion container port in Freeport in the Bahamas, part of China's massive Belt and Road Initiative infrastructure project (Newsweek, 3/29). Biden has countered by forcing Mexico, the country with the world's third-highest Covid-19 death toll, to send troops to stop immigrants at the Guatemala border in exchange for a measly 2.5 million doses of Covid-19 vaccine (NYT, 3/18; CHALLENGE, 4/2).

Capitalism, no matter which national flavor it comes packaged in, will never be able to solve the problems of war, mass migration, economic instability, or public health disaster. Why not? Because the capitalist system itself lies at the root of all these ills. A communist revolution will unleash the enormous power and creativity of the world's working class to meet and overcome all challenges to humanity. The aim of Progressive Labor Party is to organize millions to make that revolution by smashing the racist, fascist warmakers who now hold our class in bondage.✪

No safe schools under capitalism

If we want truly equitable and quality education for our children, we must fight for communism.



GREENBELT, MD, April 7—Over 50 parents, teachers, students, and residents rallied at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) here to demand the reopened schools be made safe. Prince Georges' County(PG) failed to do so, backtracking on its promises to have weekly coronavirus testing and upgrades to the air filtration systems before re-opening. The rally was sparked by teachers angered by the Board of Education and the County Council turning a deaf ear to their concerns.

A young teacher involved in a Progressive Labor Party (PLP) study group helped organize the rally by knocking on doors in the Spring Hill Lake apartment complex and struggling with fellow teachers to attend. Several PLP members came in solidarity, distributing over 30 copies of CHALLENGE as well as flyers linking the school battle to the upcoming communist-led May Day rally in Malcolm X Park in D.C.

The CHALLENGE article about the fight to remove School Resource Officers (regular armed cops) from the schools especially resonated with a few folks and started lively conversations. Attending May Day will be an important step forward, recognizing that the capitalist system is organized around profit, not good education or safe schools, so moving from attempting reforms to the school to organizing for communist revolution is a necessary next step.

The protesters marched to the Greenbelt City Hall with their safety demands including vaccinations for all employees before returning to the school building, teleworking as an option, and equity learning labs. Teachers worried that children could infect other children who in turn could infect family members.

The lead organizer of the rally, a teacher and mother of five, gave a rousing speech to end the rally including a shoutout to our Party, "PLP is in the house!" A PLP member caught up with her after the rally and invited her to join a study group. Several other participants including a grandmother who came with her grandson who goes to the high school expressed interest in the PLP's activities.

Our broad goal is to meet more people in the community, invite teachers to our study groups, join with them to lead the struggles in the schools in this county, and create more communists.✪

For Adam, smash racist killer kkkops

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these misleaders and build unity with the rank and file against our common class enemies and their agents.

A young Latin worker, who called out the nonprofits, approached a PL'er and said he had taught him at an after-school program when he was 12 years old. This shows how important our relationships are, and what we do really counts! We plan to follow up with him.

After the more pacifist vigil, community members upped the ante with a bold march through the neighborhood. Residents pumped their fists in the air as we shouted militant chants like "CPD, KKK! How many kids did you kill today?!" The kkkops trying to corral the march were quickly shouted down and forced to retreat. We ended blocking a busy intersection, where working-class Black and Latin youth made anti-racist speeches and openly attacked both liberal misleaders like Lightfoot as well as the police and the capitalist state.

Caravan held back by nationalism, identity politics

A few days later, on April 9, dozens of young workers and students gathered in North Lawndale, another west side neighborhood that is home to majority Black workers. It is the same neighborhood where workers rebelled after CPD murdered 15-year old Black teen Steven Rosenthal in 2018. After a spirited rally in which PL'ers and other workers condemned this racist system, there was a car procession through mainly working-class neighborhoods, ending up downtown.

While downtown, protesters got out of their cars and blocked another intersection. Some protesters called for Black, Latin and Asian unity as a response to racism. Others carried nationalist Black and Mexican flags. These nationalist politics stem from the identity politics pushed in many boss-led or boss-influenced organizations. These ideas will not liberate the working class or end racist police murder.

Identity politics calls for workers to rally around more Black and Latin leaders—to manage the bosses' state. But in Chicago, a very segregated, racist city, we have a Black mayor and a Black police chief, and racist police killings have not stopped.

As communists, we build the fight for international, multiracial working-class unity as the antidote to the bosses' racist divisions and state violence. Capitalism needs racism, nationalism, and sexism in order to exist—as workers we need to reject all of these with egalitarian communist politics!

Workers deserve a communist world

The murder of Adam Toledo is connected to the racist murders of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor and Daunte Wright. It is connected to the mounting death toll of the pandemic, and the endless drone attacks against workers in other countries. All are the deadly reality of capitalism.

The justice we seek cannot and will not be found as long as capitalism exists! Let's build the communist world we all need and deserve!✪

Solidarity with Amazon workers in Alabama

WASHINGTON, D.C., March 20—There is no better way to spend the first day of spring than in solidarity with the international working class! Progressive Labor Party (PLP) called on workers to join in solidarity with the mainly Black Amazon warehouse workers in Bessemer, Alabama who were fighting (ultimately unsuccessfully) for union recognition.

Over 35 workers and students responded to PLP's call with a militant picket line outside Whole Foods grocery store. Billionaire Jeff Bezos owns both Whole Foods and Amazon and fights tooth and nail to bust union organizing efforts at both places. The picket line was followed by a march to the Washington Post newspaper headquarters, a leading propaganda outlet for the capitalists, also owned by the disgusting Bezos.

PLP speakers declared that capitalists like Bezos always block efforts by workers to unionize and improve their lives. But pro-capitalist politicians like President Joe Biden and Senator Bernie Sanders "support" unions, mainly because they can control the union misleaders and those misleaders do their best to control the workers. Ultimately these union misleaders want a few crumbs for the workers while they live well off their inflated salaries.

Yes, we want to join unions, turning them into antiracist, fighting organizations for the working class. But to get off the treadmill of reform, we must advance the goal of communist revolution – working-class power. Join us in the fight for communism, a permanent victory for the working class by joining and building the revolutionary communist Progressive Labor Party.

Unfortunately, Bezos and other Amazon bosses beat the union drive in a vote of 738 to 1,798. Why the 2-1 vote against joining the union? Amazon used lots of tricks to win and the union response was ineffective. And in this capitalist system, the government serves the interests of business and unions function within that system. So Amazon got the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB), which oversees union recognition elections, to expand the definition of the Bessemer warehouse bargaining unit to include office staff, part-time and occasional workers, swelling it to over 5,900 workers, instead of the 1,500 workers who actually work in the warehouse who were seeking recognition.

Amazon bosses connived with the U.S. Postal Service to set up a drop box for the mail balloting on company property, intimidating workers by spying on them as they voted. In their cleverest trick, they arranged with local government for the traffic lights to change to green whenever a worker left the warehouse, minimizing the time that union organizers had to chat with workers. Then they even paid incentives to workers fed up with Amazon to quit before the union election to reduce the pro-union vote. The union is now filing unfair labor practices complaints with the NLRB, but that will take many months before a decision is made and the outcome is uncertain. How weak is that?

For communists, life and death organizing requires going to the homes of workers to have conversations about union misleaders, about how to fight company exploitation and racism, and about the worldwide fightback of workers. It means talking about the coming world war and how that's related to fighting for better conditions and pay at Amazon. Relying on movie stars and politicians (like Biden) to influence workers is similar to the losing strategy of trying to elect "progressive" politicians, who generally end up doing the bosses' dirty work.

Historically, unions gain recognition by closing down production like they did in the famous Flint Sit-Down Strike of 1936 (see CHALLENGE, 12/22/18) . Those communist organizers won some gains for the working class in the 1930s but failed to organize for a communist revolution. So here we are in 2021 with unions horribly weak and we are still on that reform treadmill. As we fight reform battles such as unionization, let's make them schools for communism, a system that workers run. Let's get rid of capitalism where we must constantly battle for our survival. Until capitalism is destroyed with communist revolution, all workers, including union workers, will continue to be oppressed by racism and exploitation.✪

Letter

Red solidarity with striking student-workers

In the last week of March, a Progressive Labor Party (PLP) club organized a group of workers and students to support a picket line of striking workers in its second week at Columbia University. Nearly 3,000 students joined in solidarity with Graduate Workers of Columbia Union after failed negotiations over a $4,00 increase to yearly stipends and hourly and salary increases to meet living wage standards, as well as better healthcare funding (Gothamist, 3/8/21).

PLP's solidarity provided a palpable lift to the striking graduate student-workers, and we received an enthusiastic response. The strikers were spirited and their chants of "down, down, down with the bosses, up, up, up with the workers" and "we are the workers, the mighty, mighty workers" resonated with class conscious militancy.

Several strikers, as well as community residents, took CHALLENGE. We also succeeded in making some contacts.

Our PLP club also attended a rally of graduate student-workers at New York University (NYU) who are pushing for a strike authorization vote. The activity at the private institutions of Columbia and NYU serves as an inspiration to those of us struggling to replicate similar activity within our organizing work in the Professional Staff Congress (PSC), which represents the City University of New York (CUNY).

At the NYU rally, one of us from CUNY called for the PSC membership to follow the lead of these workers and forsake the 'bogeyman' of the Taylor Law, the law that prohibits public sector workers from striking to push for militant action.

In the most recent update at Columbia, we learned that, to the dismay of many militant rank and file strikers, the UAW union leadership has called off the strike, and agreed to hand over the fate of the workers to a so-called neutral mediator.

Ending a strike in favor of mediation declaws the workers and stifles the potential for developing further class struggle. Unfortunately, this has been the road pushed by union misleaders and serves as a reminder of the limits of reform. Strikes clearly build workers unity and militancy, and provide a hope to win reforms, despite their shortcomings.

Strikes also serve as schools to understand the true nature of capitalism. The class struggle provides the potential crucible to create the communist leadership necessary to destroy this racist profit system that oppresses the working class, once and for all!

Long live the working class. Long live communism. Join PLP!

NYC Transit

Unite to fight! Your fate is intertwined with mine

NEW YORK CITY, April 14—Whenever there is a crisis, it's always the working class—especially Black, Latin, and women—that suffers. The story in the transit world is no different. To combat attacks against members of our class—worker, rider, and the most dispossessed—we need to unite under the slogan of, "same enemy same fight, workers of the world unite."

The union began the monthly general meeting by berating its members for not "being involved enough." There has been a lot of talk about the "need" for more cops on the platforms and in the stations in response to the rise of attacks on riders and workers. "Fifty-eight [workers were] physically attacked between the beginning of July through the end of 2020....Hundreds more were harassed or spat on" (New York Post, 1/16).

In response, this was a statement from a Progressive Labor Party member in transit work, in regards to the attacks against NYC Transit workers at the monthly union meeting:

> *The answer isn't more cops. More cops will only intensify the turmoil that the riding public feel towards MTA, which MTA employees have been carrying the weight of those attacks.*
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> *Just last winter there was an uproar by the general public over the harassment and constant attacks by the cops to the majority black and Latin youth. There were signs spray painted "f*&% MTA."*
>
> *Transit workers always have to carry the burden of what this company does to the riding public, whether it be fare hikes or more cops.*
>
> *We cannot continue this practice. When the next cop (that the MTA hires), assaults or kills the next unarmed black rider it will be our faces the public will see.*
>
> *I witnessed a train conductor get assaulted. I say this so you know I'm not saying this lightly.*
>
> *If we want to be serious about fixing the problem of the mentally ill and the unhoused poor then we must fight to get them the help they require. We must fight for reforms to get them homes and medical treatment. This city has made history as being the dumping ground for the mentally ill, the sick and unhoused. Cops are workers of violence. There are reports on cops killing those with mental illness every year. The only way we can protect the workers and riders is to help [our class] and stop supporting the cycle of racism and violence.*

A coworker responded by saying "well said!" This was followed by the union misleaders abruptly ending the meeting.

There are many groups that claim to solve worker issues—homelessness, mental illness, and drug addiction—but as with many campaigns like the Home First Initiative, it is inadequate. Expecting workers who suffer from drug addiction to get clean on their own is a setup for failure.

Of course, reforms aren't going to solve the problem, but first workers must be won to the idea that our fate is intertwined with the rest of our international working-class brothers and sisters✪

Smash anti-Asian racism with multiracial unity

BAY AREA, April 9—The nearly 3,800 violent assaults on Asian workers in the U.S. in the past year, focused on women and the elderly (San Jose Mercury News 3,26), are intolerable racist and sexist attacks on the working class. Only multiracial unity of Black, Latin, indigenous, white, and Asian workers can stand to defeat the racism that is endemic to the profit system.

Hate crimes against Asian workers are on the rise around the U.S. For example:

- Atlanta, GA: 8 people (6 Asian women) were killed in Atlanta massage parlors.
- San Francisco: an attacker threw an 83-year-old Asian man to the ground and broke his hip.
- Oakland, CA: a racist threw a 75-year-old Chinese man on the sidewalk. He died of head injuries.
- NYC: a racist knocked down a 65-year-old Asian woman and stomped on her head and chest.

The spike of anti-Asian hate crimes has been fostered by anti-Asian rhetoric of many capitalist leaders and media, stemming from the growing imperialist rivalry between the U.S. and China. The main wing of the U.S. ruling class is worried because their empire is in decline, and the Chinese capitalists will soon surpass them (see CHALLENGE editorial, 3/14).

The U.S. is a failing empire that has lost dominance of manufacturing and world trade and is losing its political credibility. Although it has the world's largest and most deadly military, the U.S. has lost every imperialist war since the 1950s. Meanwhile China has abandoned socialism and opted for capitalism (see letter, page 6).

President Joe Biden-appointed diplomats are now saying the U.S. must be ready to go to war with China (Atlantic Council, 2021). The finance capitalist wing of the U.S. ruling class has a contradiction on its hands. As they cynically shed fake tears for the gutter racist attacks against Asian workers, the bosses still need anti-Asian racism and nationalism against their imperialist rival, China. In preparation for war, the ruling class is fomenting racist divisions against Asian workers, blaming them for the pandemic and accusing China of human rights violations.

For an empire built on the slavery of Black workers, genocide of indigenous workers, separation of Latin families at the border, mass incarceration, terrorism against Muslim workers since Sept 11, racist police terror, anti-worker violence and imperialist wars, the U.S. is in no position to accuse other countries of human rights violations.

Demonstrations against anti-Asian racism

Thousands have demonstrated against anti-Asian American anti-Pacific Islander (AAPI) hate crimes in the San Francisco Bay Area in dozens of towns since January. Asian, Black, Latin, Indigenous and white workers participated in multiracial rallies and marches.

PLP members joined in two demonstrations in Oakland April 2 and April 3. The April 2 rally and march was well-organized by high school young women in Bay Area AAPI (DM@bayareaaapi). A multiracial crowd of about 500 students and some older people marched across Oakland through Chinatown chanting, "Asian is not a virus; Hate is a virus."

PLP distributed 300 leaflets and 20 CHALENGEs as well as meeting new friends.

The April 3 rally at an Oakland park was led by a new organization, Asians with Attitude (AWA). A multiracial group of about 500 workers participated, including a motorcycle club of Samoan workers. An inspiring speech was presented in Chinese by an elderly man who organizes against attacks on the elderly. He praised the multiracial character of the rally and said that ordinary people need to take a stand and defeat racism. National and ethnic identity truly took a back seat to multiracial unity this weekend!

The only class analysis or anti-capitalist analysis came from PLP's 300 leaflets and 6 CHALLENGEs. The AWA leaders aspire to become a non-profit, a deadend that drains organizations of antiracist politics and militancy.

Nearly 200 years of anti-Asian Racism and Sexism

Anti-Asian racism and sexism in the U.S. dates back to the 19th century when Chinese workers were imported to build the Transcontinental Railroad. Hundreds died in mountain tunnel explosions. More examples include:

Anti-Black racism was the template the bosses used to unleash their racist attacks against Asian, Latin, and Arab, Muslim, and indigenous workers in the U.S. and globally. Any advances towards equality must put the fight against anti-Black racism at the forefront of the class struggle.

- Los Angeles in 1871: One of the worst lynchings in U.S. history when 15 Chinese workers were lynched at one time, and four others murdered.
- Watsonville in 1930: a similar pogrom against Filipinos occurred because white and Filipino workers were dancing.
- The AFL refused to sanction Asian unions. But Black, Latin, and immigrant workers have led fights against exploitation. In 1877, immigrant-led railroad workers waged a nationwide strike in response to a capitalist depression. Workers briefly took over the city of Pittsburgh, PA, overwhelming the bosses and their brutal cops. Sadly, racist-led construction unions engaged in a pogrom against San Francisco's Chinatown at that time, burning laundries and killing four Chinese workers.
- U.S. citizenship was denied to Asian people from 1882 to 1952.
- During World War II, the U.S. locked 120,000 Japanese workers in concentration camps. They inflicted the ultimate horror of atomic bombs on Japan in 1945.
- As recently as the 1990s there was slavery of Thai women in a garment sweatshop in Los Angeles, where workers were locked inside for up to 7 years, working off "debt" (Smithsonian Magazine, 7/31).

The ruling class distracts attention from the cruelty of imperialist war abroad—and the lack of jobs, adequate schools, health care and social programs domestically—by promoting racist and sexist stereotypes in the movies, media, and education. Asians are stereotyped as the "model minority" that can pick itself up by the bootstraps. This racist trope is inherently an attack on Black and Latin workers and an attempt to sow divisions in our class.

Multiracial unity, Black workers key

All these racist attacks on Asian workers are made possible because of the bedrock of anti-Black racism in the U.S.; a country birthed out of slavery and colonization can only beget racism. The U.S. could not have become an imperialist empire without the super profits it reaped from the brutal enslavement of Black workers. And the rise of U.S. capitalism could not be possible without racist Jim Crow. In short, anti-Black racism was the template the bosses used to unleash their racist attacks against Asian, Latin, and Arab, Muslim, and indigenous workers in the U.S. and globally. Therefore, any advances towards equality must put the fight against anti-Black racism at the forefront of the class struggle. Above all, any struggle without Black workers' leadership is doomed to fail.

To maintain their profits and power, the capitalist system needs racism and sexism to divide and conquer. Our movement should unite all backgrounds to fight against racism as we did last summer during the anti-police murder rebellions, rather than being divided into separate ethnicity-oriented movements. Working-class multiracial unity disarms the ruling class.

Progressive Labor Party (PLP) strives to build an egalitarian communist world, where the working class run society. We would abolish the material basis for the many divisions between us, from capitalist borders to racism, sexism, and identity politics. Let's mobilize international working-class unity on May 1, 2021—international worker's day. ✪

LETTERS

We encourage all CHALLENGE readers to send in letters and articles about their experiences fighting the bosses worldwide.

But isn't China communist?

"But isn't China communist?" a reader asked, about the April 14 editorial, "U.S. & China will make world war; workers can make revolution."

Well, no! China has been building capitalism for the past 50 years and the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) is the state party in charge of capitalist development. During the 1960s Progressive Labor Party (PLP) was the fraternal party of the CCP. The CHALLENGE readership included many workers in China.

But in 1971, PLP published, "The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and the Reversal of Workers' Power in China," broke ties with the CCP, and concluded that China turned away from communist revolution as early as 1959. The right-wing of the CCP (including Mao Zedong himself) defeated the leftwing. The tragedy of this reversal (as in the Soviet Union) showed PLP that socialism has led back to capitalism, not forward to communism.

The article examines the practice of 30-40 million Chinese leftists in the Cultural Revolution, published in writings like Whither China? (https://tinyurl.com/f5abbtpf).

If it was not clear in 1959 that China had left the road to revolution, then it was crystal clear in 1968 when Mao used the People's Liberation Army (PLA) to crush the Cultural Revolution; and there was no longer any doubt by 1978, when Deng Xiao-Ping's "reform" saw the CCP turn 100 percent to building capitalism ("To get rich is glorious").

The result we see today, a combined state and private capitalist system, challenging the U.S. imperialists and headed to the full imperialist stage of its development.

"The Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and the Reversal of Workers' Power in China" is essential to understanding PLP's position that capitalist China is the most powerful emerging imperialist world power, on a collision course with the U.S.'s declining racist empire. As the U.S. and China move closer to World War, we should prepare for a long political struggle with those who believe that China is still socialist, or that China is a lesser-evil capitalist, or that any enemy of the imperialist U.S. is our friend.

The Chinese Revolution and its defeat are among the most important historical events for revolutionaries to study and comprehend. China was once the center of world revolution, an inspiration to billions! Our communist comrades destroyed feudal society and abolished the entire landlord class. They expropriated private capital. In the great advances made by the left in the Party—from the war communism of the PLA, through the Great Leap Forward and the Rural People's Communes, and up to the Cultural Revolution—millions of our Chinese comrades showed the world that rural and urban workers could take the reins of power and violently destroy capitalist exploitation and oppression.

This document is energizing to read, and we encourage everyone to join in this discussion. Once you get started, also try reading Dongping Han's The Unknown Cultural Revolution, a first-hand account of the Cultural Revolution.

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Watch inspiring film against fascism

I recently watched the wonderful 1945 Italian film Rome, Open City.

It is set in Rome during the nine-month brutal occupation of that city by the Nazis. The protagonists are a communist leader of the resistance, Georgio Manfredi, his comrade Francesco, and Francesco's fiancée Pina. There is also a group of boys (kids) who have taken up the fight on their own, and a sympathetic Catholic priest, Don Pietro. They are supported by many other working-class people who hate the Mussolini/Nazi regime.

On the other side are a cruel Nazi investigator, his staff and the German army, and a couple of weak people who are corrupted by the Nazis.

The movie is one of the first and finest examples of neo-realism. Immediately after the Second World War a number of Italian filmmakers produced groundbreaking movies that focused on the lives of ordinary people.

Decades ago movies like this were of course much harder to see. Rome, Open City would appear every few years in one Manhattan "Art House". When it came around Milt Rosen, one of the Party founders and at the time chairperson of Progressive Labor Party, would organize family and friends to go see it. Milt had been a young soldier in the U.S. Army in World War II and had been part of some of the hardest fighting in Northern Italy. When the movie ended, Milt would stand up and say "These things happened. I was a 19-year-old in the U.S. Army there. If it had not been for the Partisans who constantly helped us we wouldn't have gotten anywhere!"

I always find it inspiring to see some of the movies that came out during or right after World War II when the experience of Nazism/Fascism was so recent and so many people had been involved in the struggle against it.

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Criticisms on Langston Hughes piece

I commend CHALLENGE for putting the spotlight on the great Langston Hughes, whose class-conscious poetry remains a source of inspiration for communists everywhere (see CHALLENGE, 03/3, 3/17, and 3/31).

However, I have a few comradely criticisms of the three-part feature on his life and work. While it's true that Hughes was part of the crew of "Black and White" in 1932, the reason that this Soviet movie about race relations in the U.S. South got canceled was not that FDR saw "the Soviet Union in the film footage" (CHALLENGE, 3/3).

Rather, it was that Hugh L. Cooper, an American engineer overseeing the construction of a major dam in the Soviet Union, refused to complete the project unless "Black and White" was abandoned. At a time when the Soviet Union was struggling to industrialize, Cooper's demand was especially nefarious.

CHALLENGE justly observes that Hughes remained a leftist well after the 1930s. But a good deal of his 1940s work displays a problematic mixture of leftwing populism and U.S. nationalism. Hughes's contradictory move toward the center was likely due to the CPU.S. A's lack of leadership on racial matters during its "win-the-war" period (1942-1945). At this time, the Communist Party was intent on defeating the fascist menace overseas, even if it meant downplaying the antiracist struggle at home. Thus, it is simply not true that – as the feature suggests – "Black workers and communists advanced the 'Double V' goal" (CHALLENGE, 3/3).

Finally, the CHALLENGE feature displays a somewhat undialectical stance toward the Harlem Renaissance. The Renaissance crystallized different visions of Black liberation throughout the 1920s. Part one celebrates 1920s Harlem as a "dynamic center for culture and politics" (CHALLENGE, 3/3), while part two implies that the Renaissance was an identity-based movement that called for Black pride (CHALLENGE, 3/17). Neither formulation captures the ideological complexity of the movement, which at times espoused pro-socialist ideas and at times promulgated culturalist and nationalist conceptions of politics and identity. Hughes's 1920s poetry exhibits these contradictory tendencies.

All in all, however, the CHALLENGE feature was excellent; I look forward to reading more articles on communist culture.

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Glossary

Communist political terms

Fascism

Capitalism's response to a crisis of their system, when the bosses can no longer sustain the charade of liberal democracy and resort to more direct control and state terror instead. Fascism is marked by the ruling capitalists disciplining their own ranks to serve the urgent needs of the capitalist state and weather the crisis. To defend their system from internal and external threats, they use all the means available in their state apparatus, including violence. To build unity within their class and loyalty from workers, they rely on nationalist politics and calls for sacrifice. Their strategy is to mislead the working class to kill our working class sisters and brothers in the next inter-imperialist war.

Big Fascists

The Big Fascists are the dominant finance capitalist faction of the U.S. ruling class. They represent the wealthiest and most powerful bosses in the U.S., including multinational banks like Chase and Citibank, multinational oil companies like ExxonMobil, the big automakers, Boeing, Amazon, and the major media companies. As the dominant grouping since World War II, the Big Fascists were the architects of the liberal world order with the U.S. bosses on top. Their dominance rests on U.S. financial and military power and its strategic control of the Middle East and the flow of oil to Europe, Asia, and Africa. To sustain this dominance, they need to rebuild a huge, multiracial military for inter-imperialist war, most likely with China.

Small Fascists

The Small Fascists are a group of domestically oriented U.S. capitalists who are challenging the Big Fascists over the direction of U.S. imperialism. Since their interests are less tied to controlling the flow of oil, they are against heavy taxation to keep troops in the Middle East and in general oppose costly military bases and invasions. They're willing to rely on a smaller, whiter army, backed by nuclear weapons and the Air Force. They have used open racism to build a political following.

Fight racist exclusion from fed aid, build worker solidarity

NEW YORK CITY—The Covid-19 stimulus packages have racistly forsaken many members of our class. While millionaires and billionaires harvested during this pandemic, millions of people across the country, undocumented immigrant workers, and those who have been released from jails, are excluded from federal aid.

About 40,000 New Yorkers recently released from incarceration or immigrant detention and 500,000 undocumented immigrant workers are excluded, "despite paying $140 million annually in unemployment taxes" fundexcludedworkers.org). They have not been able to pay rent, buy meals or meet basic needs, in order to survive in a society and a government that does not care about workers in general and especially the undocumented workers who have been essential during this pandemic.

A coalition, under the slogan of "Essential and Excluded," is made up of various community organizations and others who have stood in solidarity with our cause of raising more than $3 billion from the state government for the excluded. Many activities have been carried out, meetings by zoom, to plan all the actions that have been done to achieve that objective.

There have been several protests at the homes and offices of politicians including the governor's house. On March 5, workers took over two bridges and a hunger strike has been planned that started on March 16.

As part of Progressive Labor Party's outlook of being involved in activities and struggles of community organizations, our PLP club has actively participated in these actions, leading the protests, shouting loudly and in a very militant way our slogans:

The workers united will never be defeated!

The workers' fight has no borders!

This fist is seen, the workers at power!

During this period, we have distributed hundreds of our newspaper DESAFÍO, which have been received with gratitude by workers and the community who have participated in this campaign.

Capitalism will never solve the needs of the working class and our communities. Only the unity of all the workers of the world around a mass party, the Progressive Labor Party, will be able to make the revolution for Communism, where we will work to satisfy our needs and the needs of the community.

We must continue to work and fight within these organizations to broaden our base leading the line of our party. Communism is the future of humanity. Join us to massively grow our party, to wage the revolution for communism. ✪

RED EYE ON THE NEWS . . .

Abbreviations
NYT= New York Times
GW=Gaurdian Weekly

Sexist bosses use pandemic to steal millions from garment workers

NYT, 4/7 [Workers] once held jobs as garment workers in factories producing clothes and shoes for Nike, Walmart and Benetton. But…major brands in the United States and Europe canceled or refused to pay for orders in the wake of the pandemic….

Most garment workers earn chronically low wages and few have any savings….The only thing standing between them and dire poverty are legally mandated severance benefits that most garment workers are owed upon termination….According to…the Workers Rights Consortium….at 31 export garment factories in nine countries…37,637 fired workers were not paid the full severance pay they legally earned, a collective $39.8 million….

…The group…estimates that…213 factories with severance pay violations affecting more than 160,000 workers [were] owed $171.5 million.

Severance pay wage theft has been a longstanding problem in the garment industry….The lost earnings could total $500 million to $850 million….Amazon…reported an increase in profit of 84 percent in 2020, and Infitex made…$13.4 billion in gross profit….Hulu Garment factory in Phnom Penh, a former supplier for Walmart, Amazon, Macy's and Adidas, owes 1,000 former workers $3.63 million….

Healthcare for profit: $3,358 for a swab test

NYT, 3/31 Lenox Hill Hospital in Manhattan… repeatedly billed patients more than $3,000 for the routine nasal swab test, about 30 times the test's typical cost….

…"I've gotten tested before for about $135," said Ana Roa, who was billed $3,358 for a test at Lenox Hill….Lenox Hill…[charges] a large fee for the test itself about six times the typical charge and by billing [it]…as a "moderately complex" emergency room visit.

In one case, a family accrued $39,314 in charges for 12 tests,…all taken to fulfill requirements for returning to work or school….

Federal legislation…mandated that coronavirus testing be free for patients….But eventually, American patients bear the costs of these expensive tests in the form of higher insurance premiums.

….The costs of coronavirus testing….has revealed high charges and illegal fees, as well as patients who face substantial medical debt for coronavirus treatment.

Northwell Health, a non-profit, operates 23 hospitals in the region, and received about $1.2 billion [!] in emergency health provider funding in the federal CARES Act last year….

"This is such a gold mine for hospitals because they now can charge emergency fees for completely healthy people that just want to be tested," said Renee Hsia, a professor…who researches medical billing. "This is…a market-oriented approach to health care….behavior laws have incentivized.

Biden's Gestapo rounds up migrant children

NYT, 3/31 Migrant families are sleeping shoulder to shoulder on mats in a Texas border facility designed for 250 people that is now holding more than 4,100….Children, jammed hundreds to a single pod intended for fewer than 50, were lying down shoulder to shoulder across a 3,200-square-foot space, crumpled aluminum blankets covering some of them….

There are more than 12,000 migrant children presently in government shelters. Another 5,160 are stranded in Border Patrol processing facilities…. Children 14 and older were finger-printed…. Border Patrol agents issued them notices to appear in court, where they will be considered for deportation or asylum….

Amy Cohen, a psychiatrist who works with migrant children and families, said…. "The conditions are antithetical to the well-being of children, particularly vulnerable minors."

Mali: French imperialists' warplanes kill 22 at wedding

NYT, 3/31 They had gathered for a wedding in a village in central Mali…About 100 men and teenagers were still celebrating the next afternoon. They prayed together, then dispersed into different groups under some trees. An hour later, 22 members of the wedding party were dead, killed by French warplanes….France, which has more than 5,000 troops stationed in the region….

The French Army…claimed[d]…that it had "neutralized" about 30…armed terrorists[s]…. An Amnesty International researcher…described France's reaction as shocking. "Talking about disinformation, as people mourn their dead," he wrote….

France's war on Islamists in the Sahel a vast arid region south of the Sahara has dragged on for years with no end in sight. Just last week, French troops were accused of killing more civilians, this time in northern Mali. France said they were terrorists; a local mayor said they were teenagers hunting birds.

Capitalism = racist terror

Communism = workers' power

On April 11, 20-year-old Black worker Daunte Wright became the latest victim of the murderous system of capitalism. Kimberly A. Potter, a thug in blue, murdered Duante in Brooklyn Center, Minnesota during a traffic stop, a routine harassment much of our class goes through daily.

This murder-by-cop took place just ten miles from Minneapolis where the trial over kkkop Derek Chauvin, who murdered Black worker George Floyd last May, is ongoing. This deadly profit system can't help but terrorize. It's not a flaw; it's the fundamentals of capitalism. A system that terrorizes our class does not deserve to breathe.

Potter is a murderer

Reminiscent of the murder of Oscar Grant in an Oakland subway, kkkop Potter —a 26-year veteran of the police department—claimed she thought she was firing a taser instead of gun. It was a mistake, says the murderer. Daunte was left to die in the street, being denied potentially life-saving treatment. After he died, his body was left exposed for up to six hours. Potter has been charged with second-degree manslaughter and the state gets off scot-free.

These capitalist-incited murders have long been commonplace. The biggest job for our Party and our class is to resist. The fight against every aspect of this blood-soaked capitalist system will continue until workers take state power under Progressive Labor Party's red flag of revolutionary communism!

Workers in Minnesota have given us recent examples of how we must respond to every instance of kkkop violence towards our class. The resistance movements after the murders of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Laquan McDonald, Sandra Bland, Eric Gardner, Dreasjon Reed, Trayvon Martin, and many others, have taught us that these capitalist lackeys will not stop their primary job of terrorizing workers and protecting the profit system. The response to these atrocities shows our class is resilient, purposed, and has the potential power to change the world.

Revolt against racism

The same day Wright's life was stolen, workers revolted. As usual, militarized kkkop forces met them head on. The multiracial crowds of mostly young workers have not backed down. They are providing a lesson for us all about what it means to go against the bosses' state (see box, page 1).

As CHALLENGE goes to press, workers in Brooklyn Center continue to confront these murderers on the third night of protests. They face the threat of arrest and attacks with chemical weapons. Chants of "if we don't get no justice, they don't get no peace" continue to ring out.

The interconnection of racist terror is deep; Duante's teacher was George Floyd's girlfriend. This is reminiscent of how Black Panther Party leader Fred Hampton's mother babysat Emmett Till, a 14-year-old lynched in Mississippi in 1955. Our class continues to be shown there is no justice or peace under capitalism (see page 1).

As we approach May Day, the international workers' holiday, we know that these fightbacks must continue. We are learning how to defeat all the divisions that capitalism breeds: racism, all forms of sexism, nationalism, and more.

Only through uniting as one class, under one mass international PLP, will we be victorious in strangling capitalism and breathing life into communism.

For Duante, join the fight.✪

The world under capitalism is failing and there are two emerging options—the bosses' option is fascism. Fascism through increased surveillance and police, war over profits and power, destruction of health and education systems, and other crimes against us. Covid-19 has laid bare the lethal racist inequalities of the profit system. From the United States to Africa, from Latin America to South Asia, workers everywhere are suffering unnatural deaths from the disease of capitalism. The choice between capitalist decay and an international communist future has never been clearer.

Why communism? In our vision, the working class will determine the future of society. It will destroy the capitalist world and its brutal exploitation. It will smash a system that drives us into chronic unemployment and poverty. It will smash the racism and sexism that drag down all workers. It will eliminate the racist cops who break our strikes and kill our Black, Latin, Asian and immigrant sisters and brothers. And it will put an end to the imperialist wars that send our youth to kill their class brothers and sisters worldwide, all for the bosses' profits.

A Communist World

Here is our vision for a communist world:

• A society run by workers and for workers. The working class produces everything of value and should rightfully receive the benefits of our labor. Collectively, we can determine how to share what we produce, according to need.

• Abolition of the exploitative wage system and the money that runs it. We have no need for the blood-sucking bosses who steal the value of our labor through wage slavery.

• Multiracial unity with women and men workers and an end to the racism and sexism that divides the working class. Racism and sexism is rooted in capitalism; the bosses use them to steal trillions in super-profits worldwide.

• Elimination of all national borders, artificial lines drawn by the bosses to make even more profits from workers called "foreigners." Nationalism is an anti-worker ideology that enables the imperialist rulers to exploit natural resources and cheap labor—and to war with other imperialists in competition for more profit. Communists are internationalists because the working class is one international class, with a common class interest, under one red flag.

This is the world PLP has fought for from our start, more than 50 years ago. We will continue to fight until our class prevails. We invite all workers to join this struggle—for ourselves, and for our children and grandchildren.

Our vision for communism can be realized only with millions of workers and youth, with people just like you. Our fight is sparked by class anger against the bloody bosses, kkkops, and all those who serve capitalism. But what sustains our communist movement is our working-class love—for industrial and domestic workers, for soldiers and students. United as one class, freed from exploitation and artificial borders, the working class can build a new world from the ashes of the old.

May Day is your chance to join Progressive Labor Party. Take the leap. And when you do, you will be joining hands with billions of fighters past, present, and future—with a historic movement of working-class struggle. The future belongs to us, but only if we dare to fight for it. The fight for communism can't stop, won't stop because workers can, workers did, workers will continue to fight back!

Long live communism!
Power to the workers!✪

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